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Title:

METABOLIC SELECTION

**METHODS** 

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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
  - a. Previously submitted:
  - Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on \_\_\_.

[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered.
[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R.
	§ 1.116 previously filed on
[]	Other
b. En	closed are:
[X]	Amendment/Reply.
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[]	Information Disclosure Statement.
[]	Form PTO-1449 with copies oflisted reference(s).
[]	Other.

### Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_months.

## The filing fee is calculated below:

,	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Presen	Claims t	]	Rate	1	ee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):								\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	8	-	31	· =	0		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	1	•	5	=	0		x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of an	y Multiple	Depe	endent	Claims:	+	\$290.00	=	\$0.00
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[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$110,00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]	
\$0.00	\$420.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[ ]	
\$950.00	\$950.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[X]	
\$0.00	\$1,480.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	11	
\$0.00	\$2,010.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	[]	
\$950.00	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			
\$0.00	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -			
\$950.00	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			
\$1720.00	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			
\$860,00	[X] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			
\$0.00	[ ] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			
\$860.00	TAL FEE:			

- [X] Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0872 in the amount of \$860.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [ ] A check in the amount of \$860.00 \_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 14, 2004

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